Graduates.

132 *MR. P. O. THOMAS : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware that graduates of Travancore University and those of Madras University are treated differentially in respect of the English paper at the end of the 1st year of the B. Com. course in the Madras University ?

MR. H. C. PAPWORTH (*Pro-Vice-Chancellor*) : No; Government have no information on this matter.

MR. P. O. THOMAS : May I know whether the Pro-Vice-Chancellor has enquired of the Madras University on the differential treatment meted out to the graduates of the Travancore University after this particular question has been raised ?

MR. H. C. PAPWORTH ; This question relates to some of the regulations passed by the Academic Council of the University of Madras and we have no information at all about that.

MR. P. O. THOMAS : May I know, whether Honourable Member will be pleased to enquire of the Madras University whether a graduate with class of the Travancore University was compelled to sit for an examination in Thevara College which is affiliated to the Madras University?

MR. H. C. PAPWORTH ; I do not think I have the right to cross examine the Madras University on this matter. But if the honourable member would tell me which regulation of the Madras University is referred to, I will see what enquiries can be made in that matter.

PRESIDENT : What is the point involved in this question?

MR. P. O. THOMAS : Sir, a graduate of this University was compelled to sit for an English Examination;—

PRESIDENT : By whom?

MR. P. O. THOMAS : By the Thevara College affiliated to the Madras University.

MR. H. C. PAPWORTH : For B. Com. Examinations, certain concessions have been granted for the graduates of the Madras University. Those who have graduated from that University are exempted from appearing again for the English Examination in connection with the B. Com. course and this concession is not extended to other Universities.

MR. P. O. THOMAS; My point is that this is not a concession. It relates to the standard of the examinations passed from certain Universities. It is as it were that a kind of standard is insisted upon in English language.

PRESIDENT; What does the Hon. Member suggest then?

MR. P. O. THOMAS : Our graduates are not given the privileges and so I would request the Pro-Vice-Chancellor to write to the Madras University and enquire into the matter.

PRESIDENT : I shall find out the position.

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